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Mr. Dick Smith, Director
Office of Planning and Programming
Illinois Department of Transportation
2300 South Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, Illinois 62764

RE: Amendment to Illinois FY 2009-2012 STIP

Dear Mr. Nunes:

We have received your April 13, 2009 request for approval of the Transit Addendum 1 to the FY 2009-2012 Statewide Transportation Improvement Programs (STIP). The grouped categories to be funded with FY 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Section 5340 Nonurbanized Funds as follows:

Project Description	ARRA Amount
Facility Construction	\$6,000,000
Rolling Stock	\$8,400,000
Equipment Purchase	\$1,200,000
ITS	\$2,400,000
Intercity Bus Initiatives	\$3,200,000

We have determined that this STIP amendment is financially constrained and that the project is consistent with the MPO and statewide transportation plan. We also find that the above referenced STIP amendment is the result of a transportation planning process that substantially complies with the requirements of 23 CFR 450. In accordance with 23 CFR 450.220, we approve this STIP amendment.

This approval is only for the projects that use FTA funds for eligible activities. Please refer to our program circulars for information on eligible funding expenses. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Taylor at (312) 353-4343.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Marisol R. Simon".

Marisol R. Simon
Regional Administrator